

The international Civil Aviation Organization has decided to accept only Machine Readable Travel Documents from October 2018 onwards. This Mission would like to inform that it will be necessary for all existing PIO Card Holders to obtain Machine Readable OCI Cards, in lieu of existing handwritten PIO Cards before October 2018, to avoid any inconvenience.

The Government of India has decided to extend the deadline for registration as OCI holders by erstwhile PIO Cards Holders on “GRATIS BASIS”.

In order to take advantage of getting such PIO Cards converted into Machine Readable OCI Cards on “GRATIS BASIS”, it will be advisable to get these converted before 31.12.2017